# R&D for 0vbb and neutrino mass (report from morning neutrino-properties session)

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## Huge amount of activity in 0vbb now and soon

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<sup>\*</sup>These are not official numbers, please see the talks

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  - SuperNEMO = 0vbb search/characterization
  - KATRIN = tritium endpoint search
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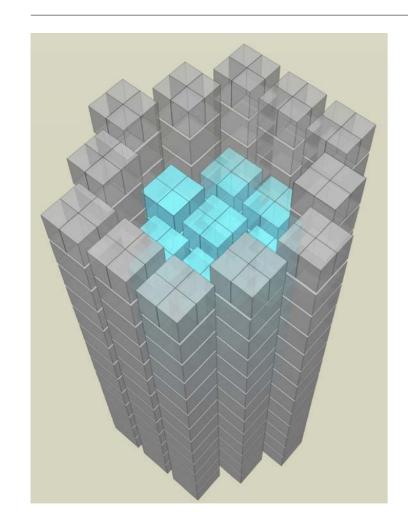
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## Ovbb

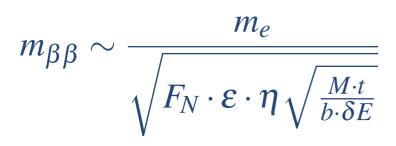
- Very promising routes to edge of inverted-hierarchy sensitivity in next 5 years.
- Very promising routes to cover whole inverted hierarchy in few-ton-scale experiments now being proposed/designed
- Some dreams of moving deep into the normal hierarchy

#### Beyond CUORE: 130Te Enrichment



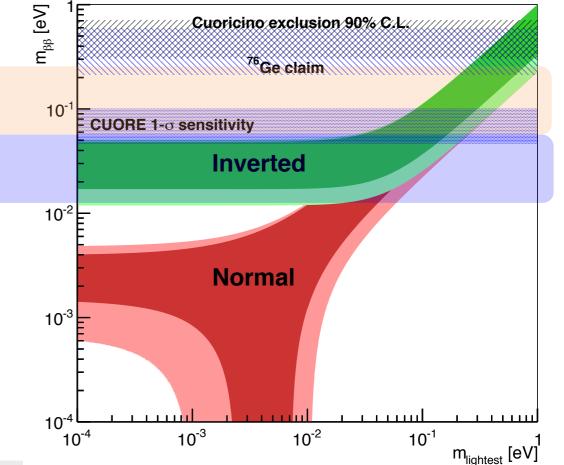


- Natural next step for CUORE
  - Increase # of parent nuclei, not the detector mass (# of background events)
- <sup>130</sup>Te enrichment is relatively cheap at \$17K/kg
  - Compared to <sup>76</sup>Ge enrichment at \$100/g
- 500 gram of enriched <sup>130</sup>Te metal is sent to SICCAS for enriched crystal growth.



Current gen.

goal of next gen. experiments



Cuoricino exclusion 90% C.L.

- Nuclear figure of merit: nuclear matrix element x phase
- **Detection efficiency**

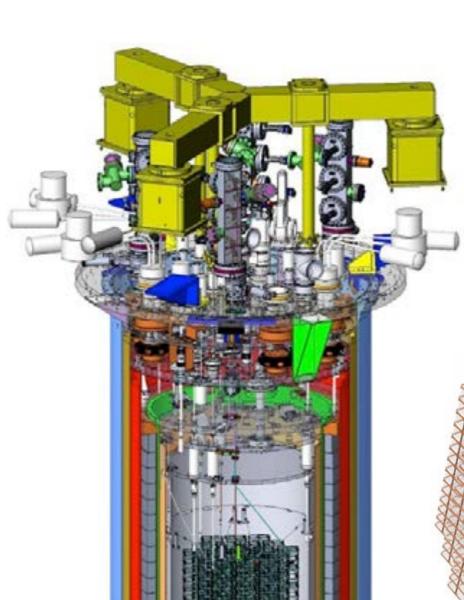
Live time [year]

Isotopic abundance

- Background [< 0.01/kg/keV/
- Detector total mass [kg]
- Energy resolution [keV]

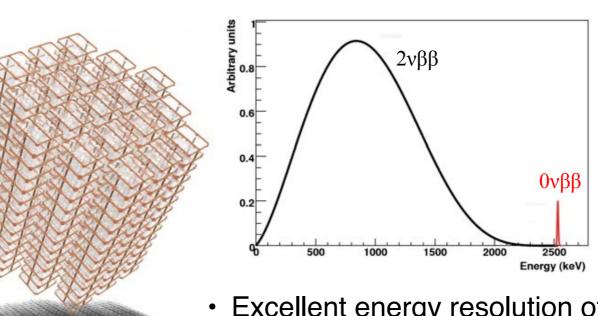
#### **CUORE**

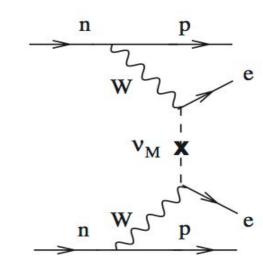




#### Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events

- 988 TeO<sub>2</sub> crystals run as a bolometer array
  - 5x5x5 cm<sup>3</sup> crystal, 750 g each
  - 19 Towers; 13 floors; 4 modules per floor
  - 741 kg total; 206 kg <sup>130</sup>Te
  - 10<sup>27</sup> <sup>130</sup>Te nuclei



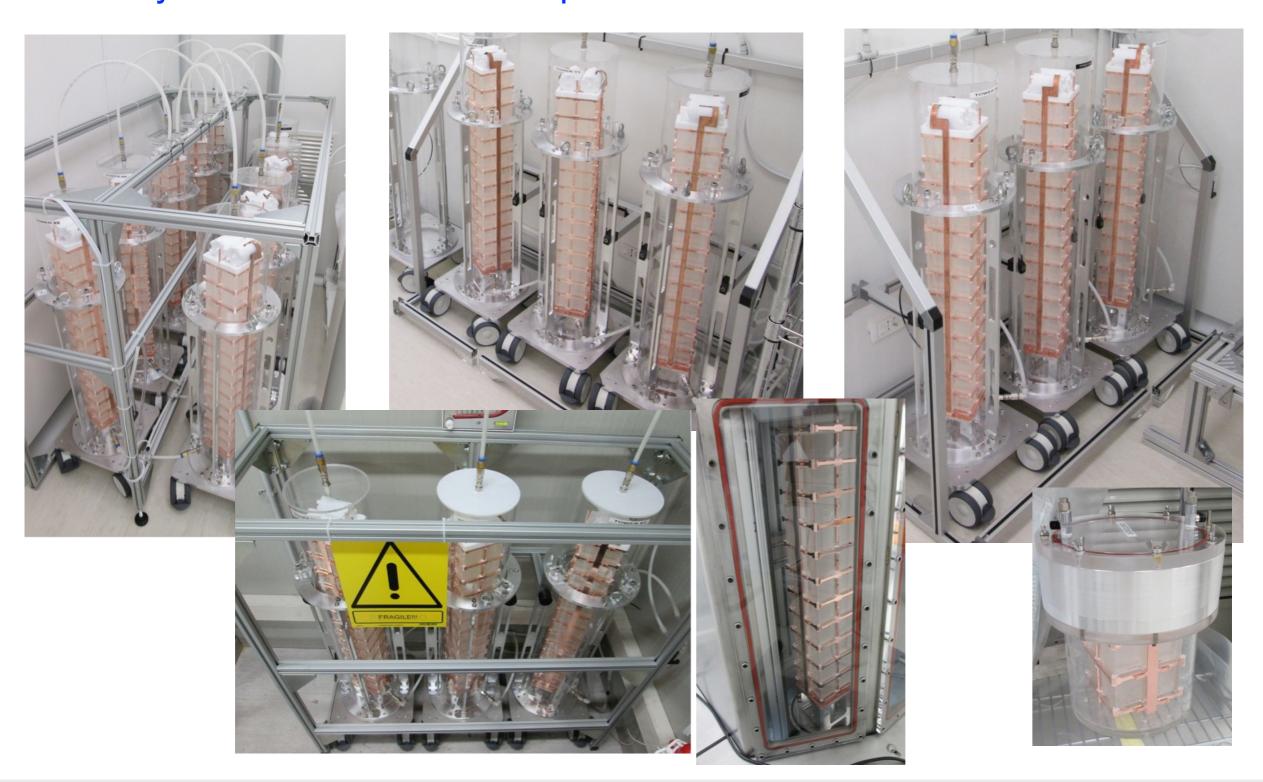


- Excellent energy resolution of bolometers
- New pulse tube dilution refrigerator and cryostat
- Radio-pure material and clean assembly to achieve low background at region of interest (ROI)

#### **CUORE Detector Towers**



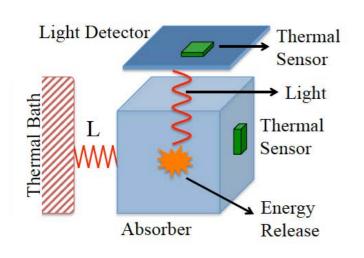
#### Assembly of all 19 towers is complete



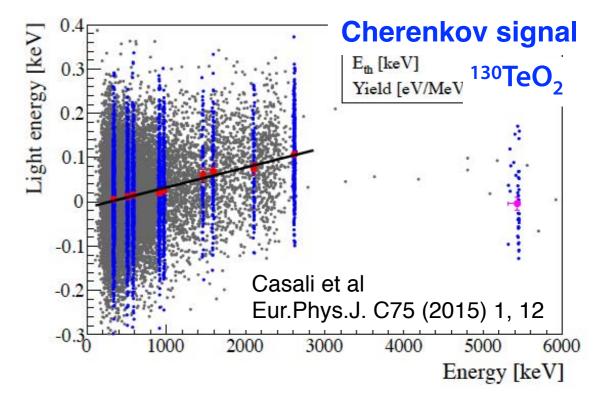
#### **Beyond CUORE: Particle ID with Light Detectors**



#### phonon+photon

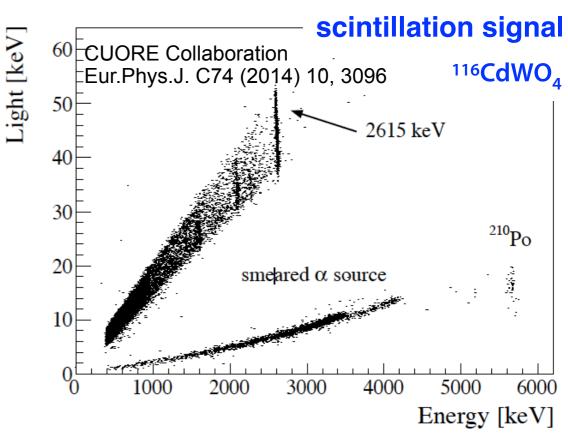




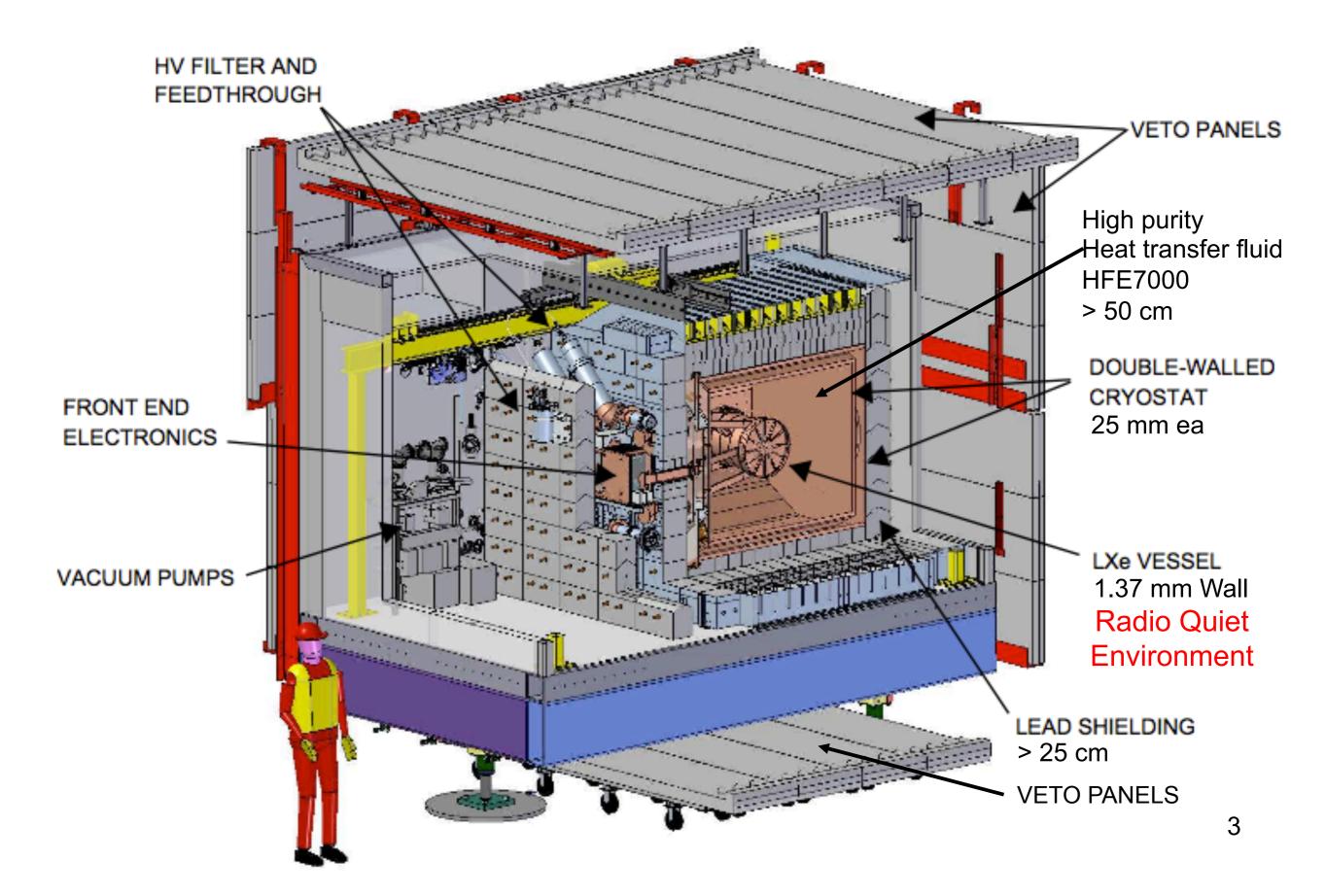


- Cherenkov light or scintillation to distinguish  $\alpha$  from  $\beta/\gamma$  (130TeO<sub>2</sub>, Zn82Se, 116CdWO<sub>4</sub>, and Zn100MoO<sub>4)</sub>
- More rejection power needed: 99.9%  $\alpha$  background suppression. Light detector R&D for better resolution.
  - -R&D on TES in US
  - -R&D on MKID in Italy
  - -R&D on NTD/Luke effect in France/LNGS
- Background free search.

$$m_{\beta\beta} \sim (M \cdot t)^{-1/2}$$
, not  $(M \cdot t)^{-1/4}$ 

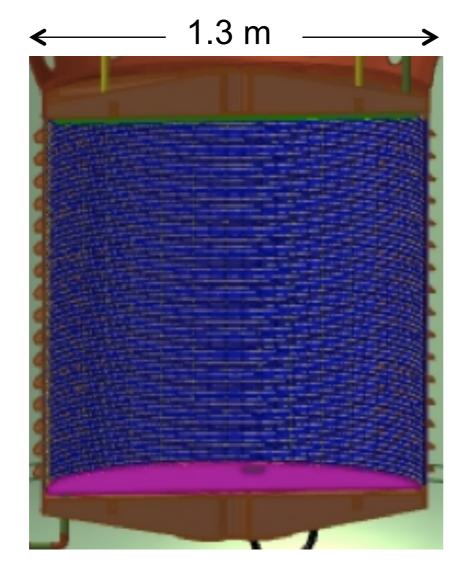


### The EXO-200 Detector

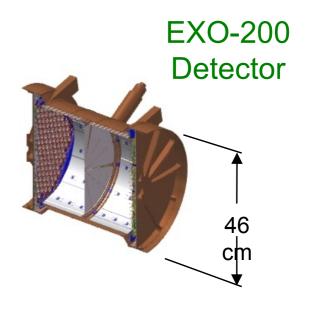


#### From EXO-200 to nEXO Detector

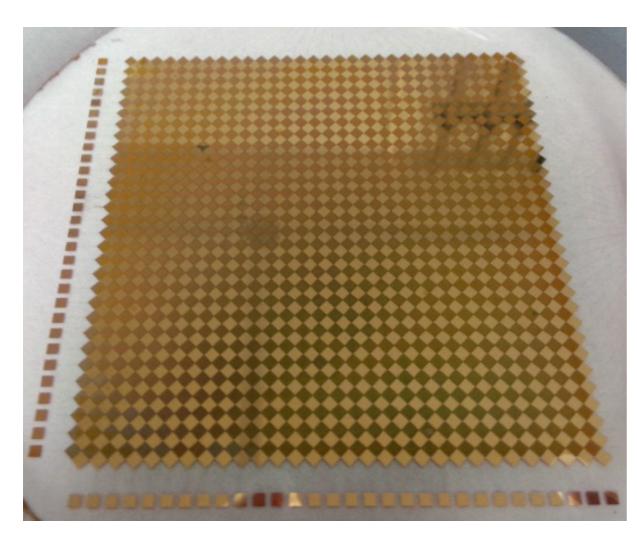
- EXO-200 have achieved design energy resolution, background goal and SS/MS rejection capability.
- nEXO is a 5 tonne LXe TPC with better detector performance, *initially* without Ba-tagging.
- 4.7 tonnes of active <sup>enr</sup>Xe (80% or higher), < 1.0% (σ) energy resolution.
- Assuming observed EXO-200 backgrounds.  $\beta\beta$  scales like the volume, most backgrounds scale like the surface area.



nEXO Detector

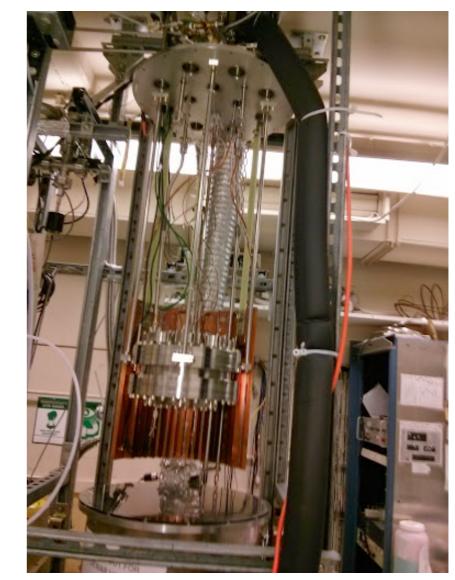


## Charge Collection Tiles



Prototype Charge Readout Quartz Tile

- Improve  $\beta\beta$  and gamma discrimination
- Lower background from readout structures

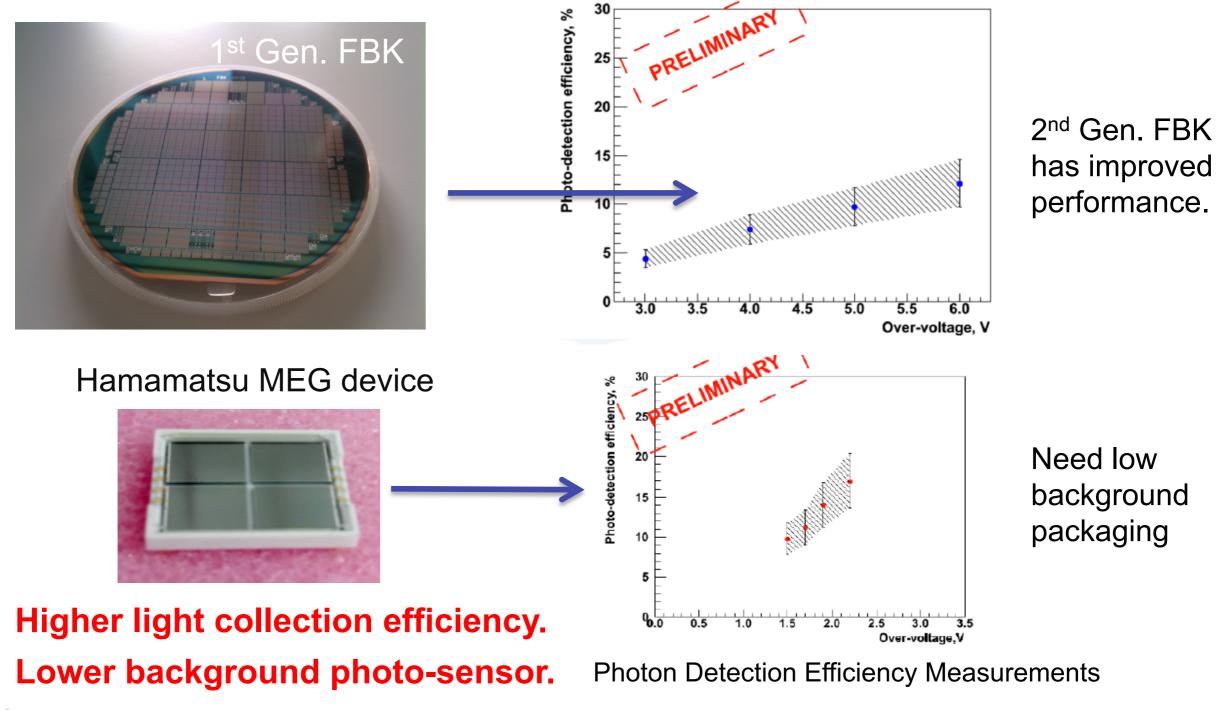


Charge Readout LXe test apparatus

#### R&D activities:

- Develop charge readout structures on low background substrates.
- Simulate and measure charge collection in LXe and SS/MS discrimination.

#### **UV Sensitive SiPM**



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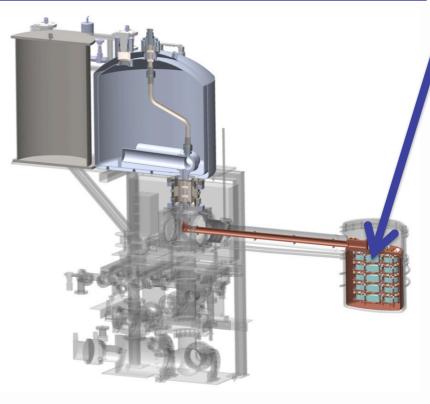
- Develop SiPMs with > 15% photon detection efficiency for 180 nm light.
- Determine the intrinsic radio-purity of SiPM.

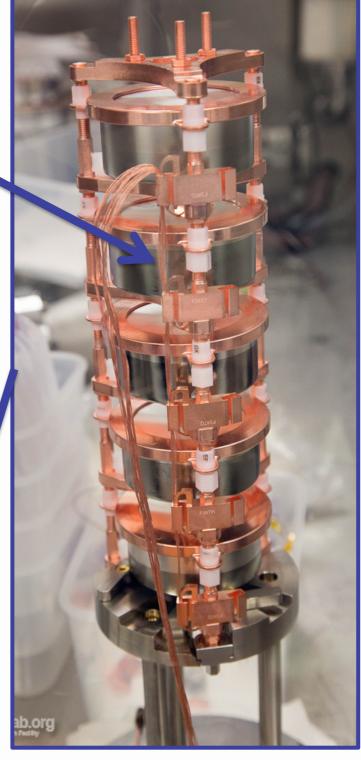
#### MJD Detector Array Overview



- Detector Units
  - Low mass PPC detector mounting structure
  - Adaptable to a range of form factors
  - Copper and PTFE construction
- Stacked into "Strings" of 4-5 detectors
- Modular Cryostats:
  - Capacity: 7 strings, up to 22.5kg
  - Form factor driven by compact shielding capability
  - Demonstrated operation in 2 cooling configurations:
    - Thermosyphon
    - Pulse-tube cooler

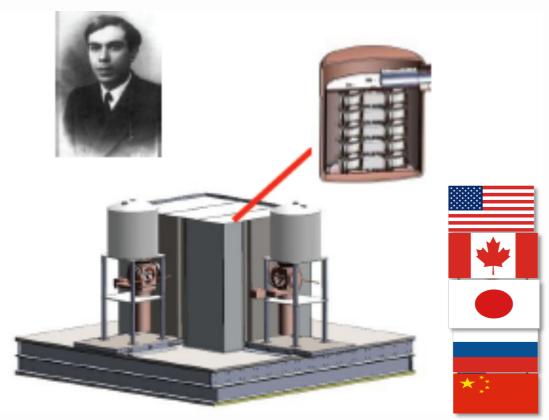


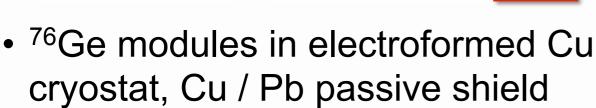




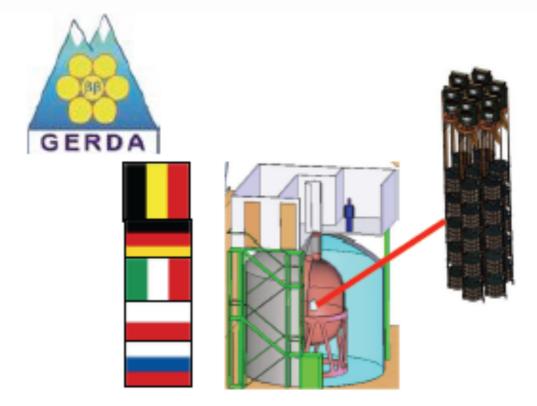
#### MAJORANA DEMONSTRATOR and GERDA







- 4π plastic scintillator μ veto
- DEMONSTRATOR: 30 kg <sup>76</sup>Ge and 10 kg <sup>nat</sup>Ge PPC detectors



- <sup>76</sup>Ge array submersed in LAr
- Water Cherenkov µ veto
- Phase I: ~18 kg (H-M/IGEX xtals)
- Phase II: +20 kg PPC detectors

#### **Joint Cooperative Agreement:**

Open exchange of knowledge & technologies (e.g. MaGe, R&D)
Intention to merge for larger scale experiment
Select best techniques developed and tested in GERDA and MAJORANA

#### Large-Scale R&D Efforts



Several areas of needed R&D for a tonne-scale experiment have been identified and will be explored over the next several years.

- Ge Detector Development
  - Large detectors
  - Field shaping geometries
  - Small contacts
  - Ge recovery and reprocessing
- Detector Assemblies
  - Additive manufacturing
  - Cables & connectors
- Materials & Assay
  - Improved copper assay
  - Improved electroforming methods
  - New dielectrics

- Array Shielding
  - Instrumented liquid cryogen
  - Investigation of hybrid design
  - Alternative shield materials
    - Lead purification
    - Depleted germanium
- Simulations and Analysis
  - Background budgets
  - Neutron backgrounds
  - Required experimental depth
  - Shielding simulations
  - Radon-daughter backgrounds

A technically-constrained schedule would allow construction of a large-scale Ge 0vββ experiment to begin in 2018/2019.

#### SuperNEMO in a nutshell

- physics goals:
  - primary: neutrinoless double beta decay  $(0\nu2\beta)$  of  $^{82}$ Se
  - other:
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  u2eta of  $^{150}$ Nd and  $^{48}$ Ca
- $\triangleright$   $2\nu2\beta$  decays
- decays to excited states
- Majoron emission
- related nuclear physics
- location: Modane Underground Laboratory (LSM), France, 4800 m.w.e.
- $\sim$  100 collaborators  $\sim$  100  $\sim$  100











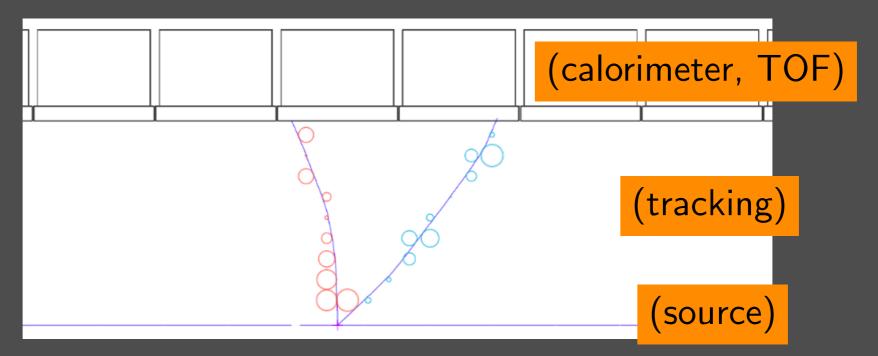








detector concept:



#### NEMO-3: The Neutrino Ettore Majorana Observatory













- ▶ Located in the *Laboratoire Souterrain de Modane* (LSM) in the French Alps under 4800 m.w.e.
- Shielded by 30 cm of borated water or wood, 19 cm of steel and radon-free air tent (2004)



Phase 1 Feb. 2003 - Oct. 2004  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{int}}(^{222}\text{Rn})\sim 30~\text{mBq/m}^3$ 

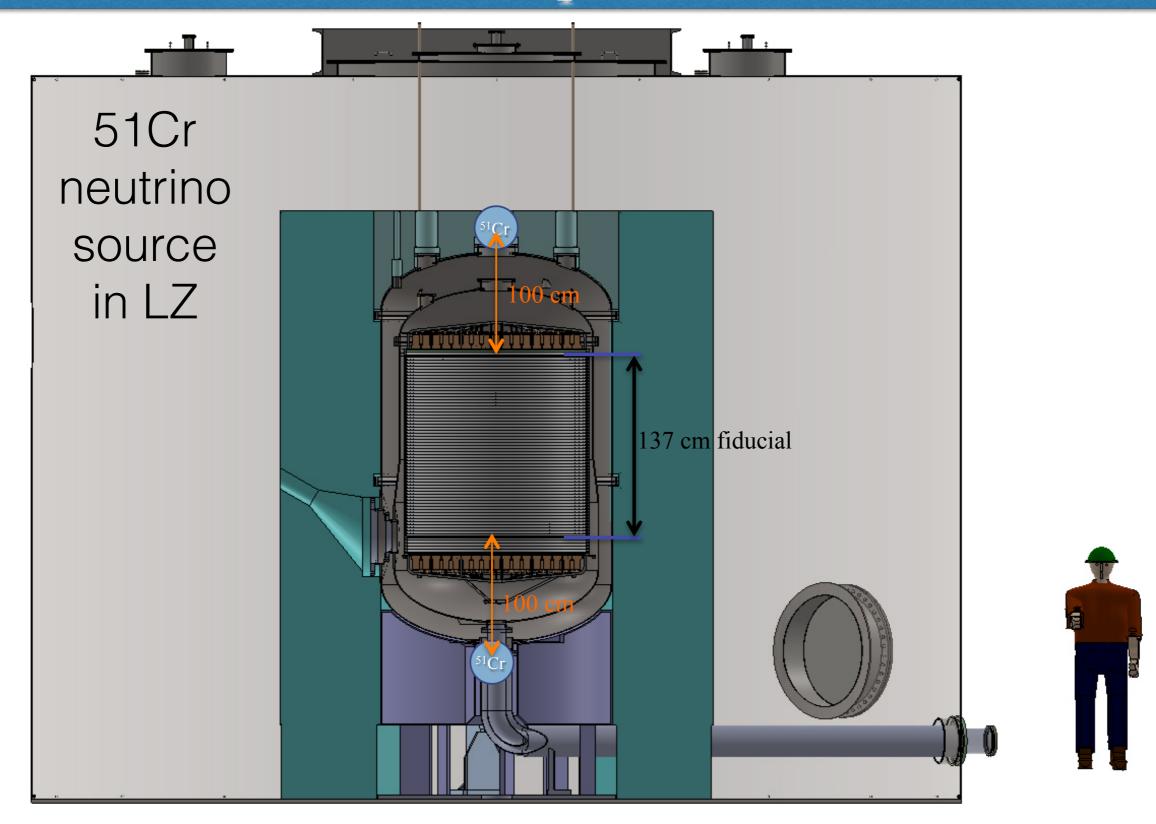


Phase 2 Dec. 2004 - Jan. 2011  $\mathcal{A}_{\text{int}}(^{222}\text{Rn})\sim 5~\text{mBq/m}^3$ 

## We're on track to detect coherent neutrinos in a few years with inexpensive hardware

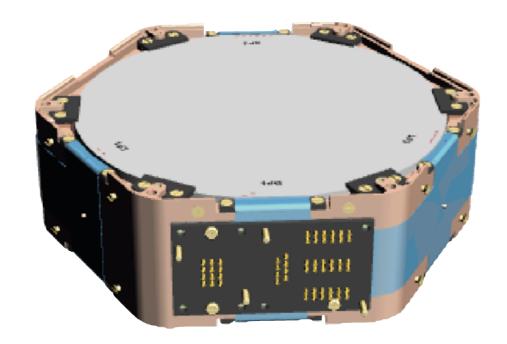
- Ricochet: ex-CDMS hardware —> reactor
- COHERENT: ex-Majorana, Chicago CsI, Moscow Xe TPC —-> Oak Ridge SNS
- CR51: LZ experiment <—- 51Cr source (neutrino magnetic moment)</li>

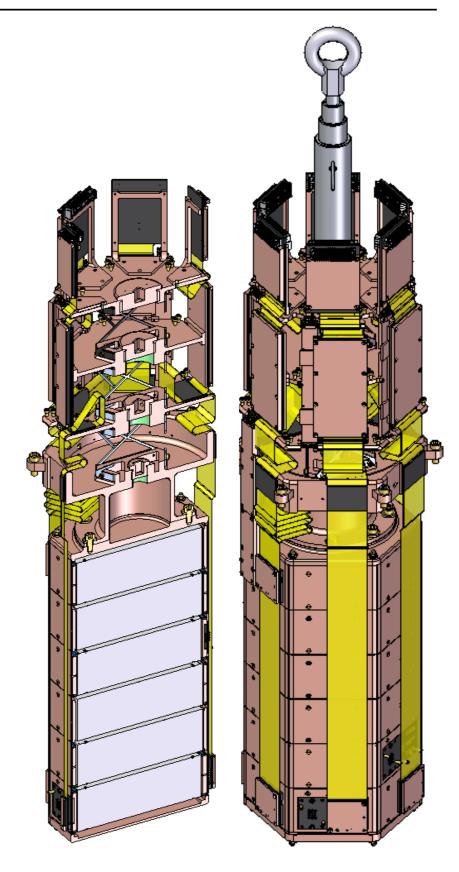
### Alternate Implementations



#### Ricochet Phase 1: SuperCDMS Tower at a Reactor

- Leverage R&D and Engineering being done by the SuperCDMS G2 Experiment.
- 1 Tower holds 6 detectors, ~100 eVnr Threshold
- 4 Si Detectors = 2.4kg Si = 11 CE**v**NS events per day
- 2 Ge Detectors = 2.8kg Ge = 26 CEvNS events per day
- >7000/1000/400 events per month at the SONGS, ATR, and MIT reactors
- >20 events per month at the SNS (for comparison)

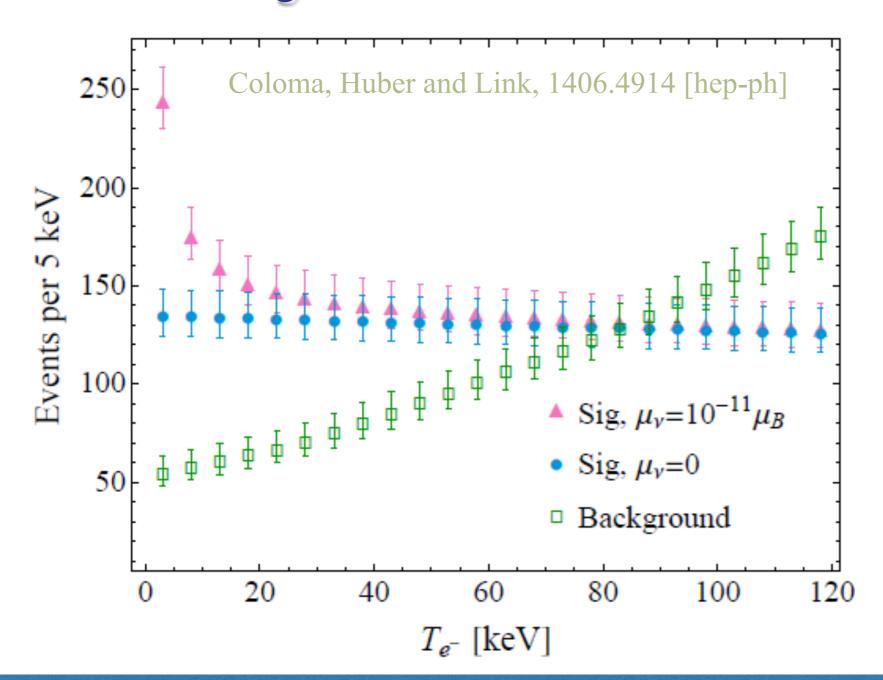






## Calculation of Elastic Scattering Rate in LZ

Assuming an exposure of 100 days from a single 5 MCi source  $(5.8 \times 10^{23})$  emitted neutrinos), and the source center located 1 m from the edge of the fiducial volume.



The expected number of weak interaction events is ~12,500.

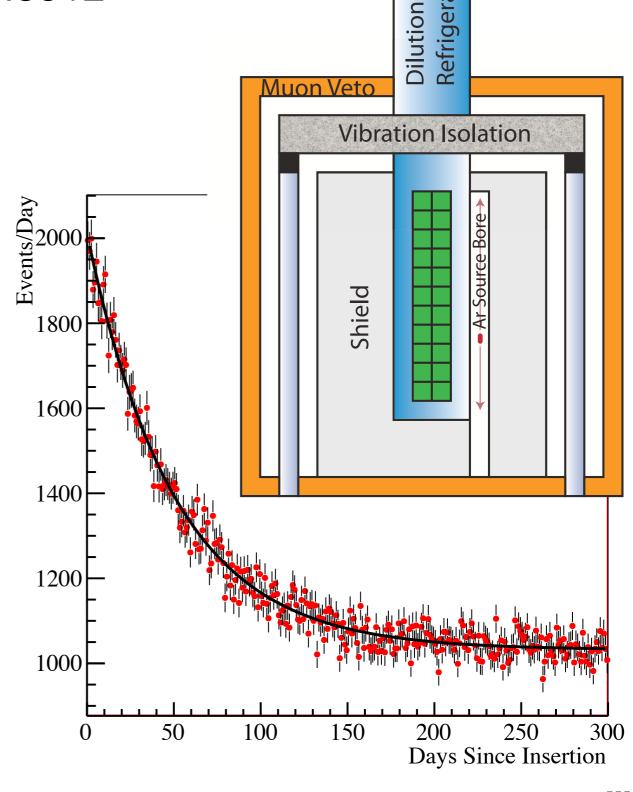
At the Gemma limit, E&M interactions would add more than 3,000 events.

A huge enhancement at low recoil energy

#### Ricochet Phase 2: CEvNS with ~1 MeV neutrinos

arXiv:1107.3512

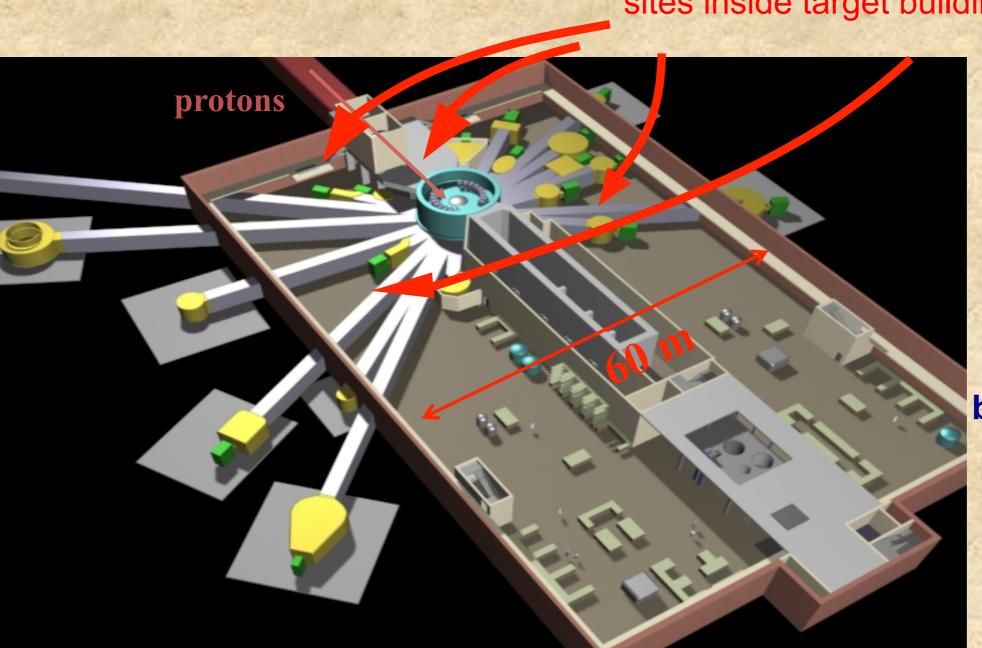
- Array of 10,000 elements with <sup>37</sup>Ar or <sup>51</sup>Cr source just outside shield (10 cm closest distance).
- Measuring time of 300 days (for <sup>37</sup>Ar, equivalent of 50 days signal, 250 days background).
- Background rate of 1 event/kg/day in energy region of interest
- R&D needed, would be a "smoking gun" experiment done if charged current experiments saw a signal.





## Potential Locations for Neutrino Experiment at the SNS

sites inside target building including basement



Multiple sites are available at a distance 15-20 m.

"Green field" is outside of the target building for distances more than 30 m

ORNL is strongly supporting BG studies for neutrino experiment at the SNS

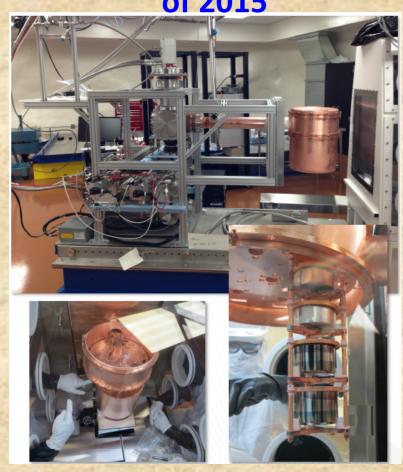
ORNL support: 3 LDRD's (>\$300k) + Wigner Fellow

## Three detector technologies are "Ready"

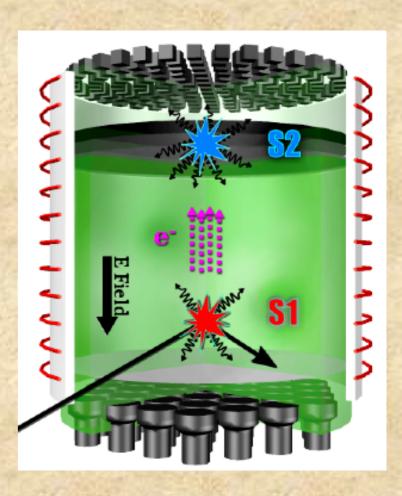
MJD prototype cryostat with 20 kg of HPGe detectors, could be available by the end of 2015

14 kg low background Csl crystal is available at the University of Chicago

100 kg, 2 phase LXe is detector being built at MEPhI, Moscow







#### 15 m from the target, 100 kg detector, prompt 30 MeV neutrinos

Target	Max Recoil (keV)	Cross section 10 <sup>-42</sup> cm <sup>2</sup>	Threshold, keV <sub>nr</sub>	N events, year
Ge	27	5830	3	2560
ı	15	19400	10	732
Xe	15	22300	1	5970

## Unified R&D wish list

- Liquid noble gases: general need for reliable highvoltage design principles. EXO (!) NEXT (?), in common with dark matter and long baselines.
  - Experience of "things that work on test stand but spark when installed."
- Low-background everything
  - Copper (Majorana, CUORE), cabling (CUORE)
- New and complex scintillators (Kamland-Zen, SNO +, Theia, NuDot) and matched photosensors (fast? cheap? red-sensitive?)

## OK, this is not unified